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The Administrative Procedure Act (APA) requires the publication of Notices of Rulemaking Docket Opening when an agency opens a rulemaking docket to consider rulemaking. Under the APA effective January 1, 1995, agencies must submit a Notice of Rulemaking Docket Opening before beginning the formal rulemaking process.

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CORPORATION COMMISSION - FIXED UTILITIES

Editor's Note: The following Notice of Rulemaking Docket Opening was exempt from Executive Order 2012-03 as issued by Governor Brewer. (See the text of the executive order on page 1083.)

[R14-59]

1. Title and its heading: 14, Public Service Corporations; Corporations and Associations;

Securities Regulation

<u>Chapter and its heading:</u> 2, Corporation Commission - Fixed Utilities

Article and its heading: 1, General Provisions

Section numbers: R14-2-103

2. The subject matter of the proposed rule:

The proposed changes will update the annual in-state operating revenue thresholds that classify utilities as A, B, C, D or E, which have not been updated since their adoption by the Commission in Decision No. 57875 (May 18, 1992). Except for Telephone utilities, the proposed revenue thresholds would double the existing Class A threshold, triple the existing Class B threshold, quadruple the existing Class C threshold, and quintuple the existing Class D and E thresholds. Reclassifying Commission-regulated utilities in this manner will impact the applicability of other Commission rules, change rate case filing, accounting and time clock requirements, and the eligibility for submitting a rate case via a short form application.

The agency docket number, if applicable:

RU-00000A-13-0294

Telephone:

3. A citation to all published notices relating to the proceeding:

Notice of Proposed Rulemaking: 20 A.A.R. 1069, May 9, 2014 (in this issue)

4. The name and address of agency personnel with whom persons may communicate regarding the rule:

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5. The time during which the agency will accept written comments and the time and place where oral comments may be made:

Public comment will be held on June 12, 2014, beginning at 1:00 p.m. or as soon as practicable thereafter, in Hearing Room 1 at the Commission's Phoenix offices of the Arizona Corporation Commission located at 1200 West Washington, Phoenix, Arizona 85007, and on June 9, 2014, at 1:00 p.m. in Room 222 at the Commission's offices, 400 W. Congress Tucson, Arizona. Hearing Division requests initial written comments be received on or before June 13, 2014. Please reference docket number RU-00000A-13-0294 on all documents.

<u>6.</u> <u>A timetable for agency decisions or other action on the proceeding, if known:</u>

The Commission will likely bring this to Open Meeting for final approval in the summer, 2014.